

AMERICAN LIVES IMPERILED IN GREEK MASSACRE

EPWORTH STAFF BACK SALARIES PAID BY DONOR

Development Company Settles
on 50 Percent Basis.

EVIDENCE CONTRADICTED

Commission Head Denies Re-
ceiving Key to Box.

Payment of back salaries to teachers in Epworth university, amounting to approximately \$11,000, which was an important issue in deciding the case at a former trial in favor of the church, is not an issue in the trial in district court now, it developed today. The teachers, with only one exception, agreed to accept 50 percent on the dollar as settlement of their claims. The University Development company, which is seeking possession of the Epworth property, paid the teachers. The company holds assignments of the salaries.

According to E. R. Hastings, attorney for the teachers, the latter were satisfied with the settlement on the 50 percent basis because, he said, of the uncertainty of the suit's outcome, the possibility of having to wait many years for their money, and because of doubt whether they would ever get it.

Glad to Get Money.
"It was a cold-blooded business proposition," said Mr. Hastings. "The matter of settlement was put squarely up to the teachers, my clients, and they were glad to get 50 percent of their claims."

At the trial today, Bishop E. E. Hoss, one of the most prominent and beloved men of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, appeared. Probably he will be called to the witness stand. Bishop Hoss was a leading figure in the famous fight of the church for control of Vanderbilt university at Nashville.

Bishop E. D. Moulton of Texas, who has presided over many annual conferences of the M. E. church, south, in Oklahoma, is expected to arrive in Oklahoma City tomorrow. He may be a witness.

Knowledge of Churches.

Testimony introduced by witnesses and depositions this morning tended to show that the two Methodist churches knew from the beginning facts relative to the original proposition submitted by the University Development company and accepted by the churches, and also that the churches knew they had a conditional title to the property; that is, that if the churches failed to carry out their agreement in running the school the property should revert to the donor.

E. B. Rankin of Sapulpa, trustee representing the M. E. church and who was a financial agent of the school two years, said absence of a clear title to the property made it difficult for him to raise money for the institution. He said the original agreement, however, had the reversion clause; that he always thought the property was to go back to the company if the churches failed to carry out the agreement, but that the prop-

WILSON CONFERS FOR FIRST TIME OVER CAMPAIGN

Goes Over Situation With Sev-
eral State Leaders.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Sept. 14.—President Wilson for the first time gave detailed consideration today to his campaign for re-election. In the executive offices at Asbury Park he went over the situation with various leaders in different states and began mapping out his plans for the next two months.

Burleson With McAdoo.
Postmaster General Burleson, one of Mr. Wilson's chief political advisers, is at Spring Lake, near here, visiting Secretary McAdoo and today the two cabinet members went over the political situation with Secretary Tumulty.

Fight in Four States.
As a result of the conferences it was indicated that greater attention will be paid to the campaigns in Oregon, Washington, Utah and California, reports received by administration officials leading them to believe democratic prospects in those states are excellent.

While the president will make no final plans for leaving here until further developments in the illness of his sister, Mrs. Annie E. Howe, several trips away from Shadow Lawn were discussed tentatively.

LESS THAN ONE-SEVENTH OF REGISTERED CHICAGO WOMEN CAST BALLOTS

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Less than 14 percent of the registered women voters in Chicago participated in the primary Wednesday. The small vote cast by women was attributed to the scarcity of offices for which they might vote. There were approximately 12,000 votes of democratic women to 16,000 for republican women.

FORMER PACKING PLANT SOLD; NOW REMODELING IT

Purchaser's Name and Busi-
ness Being Withheld.

After having remained vacant for about four years, the three-story brick building formerly occupied by the Oklahoma City Packing and Provision company, located adjacent to the Santa Fe tracks south of the Southwest Cotton Seed Oil company's plant, has been optionally purchased, it was announced this morning.

The name of the purchaser, his line of business and the terms of the sale were not available.

Only Vacant Building.
The old packing plant was the sole remaining vacant industrial building of consequence in the city. It has about 30,000 square feet of floor space and could readily be turned into an ideal manufacturing plant of any character.

Workers are already engaged in remodeling the place and fitting it up for occupancy.

The sale was effected by the Southern Trust company of St. Louis and the Retailers' Insurance company of Oklahoma City, both of whom secured an interest in the plant after it was abandoned, when the packing plants of Morris and company and Swartschild and Sulzberger were erected.

Facilities of Plant.
The old plant had facilities for slaughtering 250 hogs and fifty cattle each day. It had been in operation for sixteen years. All its owners were local men.

For some time the Chamber of Commerce has been attempting to secure a tenant for the building.

YOUTH STEALING RIDE DANGEROUSLY INJURED

Charles West, 17 years old, of Comanche, fell beneath the wheels of a Rock Island passenger train near Ardmore today and probably was fatally injured, according to a telegraphic report to the corporation committee.

The youth was stealing a ride on the blind baggage, the message stated. His left foot was almost cut off; his right leg was badly mangled and he received many painful bruises on head and body.

Tulsa Thieves Take Victims Two Blocks

TULSA, Okla., Sept. 14.—(Special)—Armed with six-shotguns, two unmasked men robbed the night watchman at the Western Auto Supply company early today, marched all the force in the building two blocks away and escaped. The police this afternoon had no clue. The loss consisted of \$30 in money and the watch of the night guard. Three negro drivers as well as the night man then were marched from the building. The supply station is in the heart of the business district.

Laredo Camp Flooded.

LAREDO, Texas, Sept. 14.—A nine-foot rise in the Rio Grande yesterday morning inundated the camps of the National Guardsmen stationed in the northern part of the city. The water, however, drained off during the day, doing little damage.

Fair and Cooler Weather Predicted

Local Forecast—Fair tonight and Friday; cooler tonight.
State Forecast—Tonight fair and cooler; frost in northwest portion; fair Friday.
KANSAS—Generally fair; cooler tonight in east and south portions; frost in lowlands.
ARKANSAS—Fair and cooler.
WEST TEXAS—Frost in Panhandle.

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10 a. m. 57
11 a. m. 57
12 noon 58
1 p. m. 60

"Zimmie"

U. S. FEARS OF TROUBLE IN EAST ENDED BY JAPAN

Tokio Joins Russia in Giving
Assurances.

OPEN DOOR IS TO REMAIN

Statement Removes Alarm of
State Department.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Both Japan and Russia have given the United States formal assurance that the new Russo-Japanese treaty does not repeal or affect the treaties of 1907 and 1910 in which those nations pledged themselves to maintain the integrity of China and the open door policy.

The assurance was given to Ambassador Guthrie at Tokyo and Francis at Petrograd in response to inquiries. The state department today received from Mr. Guthrie a note on the subject addressed to him by the Japanese foreign office stating in unequivocal terms that Japan had not for a moment entertained any intention of departing from these policies.

Anxiety Ended.
Department officials let it be known that the statements are entirely satisfactory and that inquiries regarding the new treaty, over which they had been considering perturbed, probably would not be pressed further.

The note resulted from inquiries made by Ambassador Guthrie at Tokyo by direction of the state department regarding the effect of the new treaty.

Seek Stability in Orient.
A statement issued by the state department makes public the note from the Japanese government, which says:

The imperial government desires to assure the American government that the new convention is in no sense designed to repeal or modify the provisions of article two of the convention concluded between Japan and Russia on July 23, 1907, nor has the imperial government entertained for a moment any intention to depart from the policy to which they have avowedly committed themselves respecting the maintenance of the independence and territorial integrity of China as well as the principle of equal opportunity for the trade of all nations in that country. On the contrary they are as strongly convinced as ever of the usefulness of that policy in the interest of the general peace and stability in the Far East which they have always very near their hearts.

Provisions Unimpaired.
The result of similar inquiries made for the state department at Petrograd regarding the effect of the new treaty is commented on by the state department as follows:

"The minister for foreign affairs of the imperial Russian government in like manner assured the American ambassador in response to his inquiry that his government had not withdrawn from the conventions of 1907 and 1910, but will maintain unimpaired the provisions of those agreements, notwithstanding the fact that no mention of this was made in the convention of 1916."

GENERAL STRIKE STILL FEARED IN NEW YORK CITY

Car Service Forty to Sixty
Percent Below Normal.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Part sched- ules are being maintained on the sub- way and elevated lines of the Inter- borough Rapid Transit company and service on surface lines gradually re- stored, but fear of a "sympathetic" strike is not over.

Following a parade and demonstration by strikers, the question of a "sympathetic" strike will be discussed at meetings of the central federated unions of Brooklyn and Manhattan. Whether the strike will actually take place will depend on the individual votes of the union.

Service on most lines today was 40 to 60 percent below normal. The company says it is no longer necessary for them to hire strikebreakers, asserting that hundreds of their former employees have returned to work.

AMMONIA BLAST IN NEWARK KILLS SIX

NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 14.—Six men were reported to have been killed as the result of an ammonia tank explosion this afternoon in the plant of the interstate milk and cream company.

WHO WANTS TO BE A WARTIME CHAUFFEUR?



This bullet-riddled French army auto is proof that the age of miracles is not passed. The car carried three officers and through, ripping the tires to pieces. The officers reached their destination unharmed, thanks to the wonderful courage and coolness of the French chauffeur, who stuck to his driving wheel though severely wounded in the right arm and the left hand.

MASS MEETING WILL DISCUSS NEW RAILROAD

Chamber of Commerce to Dis-
cuss Raising of Bonus.

Every member of the Chamber of Commerce is invited to attend a mass meeting to be held next Thursday, at which will be discussed the proposition of raising a bonus of \$150,000, donating terminals and securing right-of-way for the proposed northwest railroad from Oklahoma City. This was decided upon this noon at a meeting of the directors of the chamber, held in the Lee-Huckins hotel.

The decision to hold the mass meeting came after the directors had discussed the recommendations made by its railroad committee.

A committee, composed of Joseph Huckins Jr., John E. O'Neill and Elmer E. Brown will select the place and time of the meeting. It is thought that it will be called for 7:30 in the evening in some large local hall or auditorium. Fully 800 are expected to attend. The meeting will merely discuss the railroad plans—no "silver offerings" will be taken.

The directors today also appointed a committee composed of Ed Overholser and Phil Baird to meet with the city park board and state capital commission to discuss beautification of the state capital grounds, including a scheme to widen Lincoln boulevard.

Cotton Leaps \$1 to \$1.40 Upon Market

Oklahoma Richer by \$800,000
if State's Production
Brings Today's Prices.

Oklahoma's wealth was increased \$800,000 in one minute this morning when cotton advanced \$1 a bale on the New Orleans market and from 13 to 28 points in New York.

The 28-point increase in New York meant that the staple increased \$1.40 per bale.

Cotton men say recent rains undoubtedly will add immeasurably to the quantity of the crop if frost does not come until late in October and sunny weather prevails meantime.

If weather conditions are favorable much of the damage done by the early drought may be discounted.

Baby Dies From Swallowing Nickel

DALLAS, Texas, Sept. 14.—As a result of swallowing a nickel several days ago John Irwine Wilson, 6 months old, died today. Although the coin, which lodged in the child's windpipe, was removed, complications caused pneumonia.

WILD RISE ON STOCK MARKET SETS RECORDS

Shares of Every Description
Advance.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The extraordinary rise in the stock market of the last fortnight, unequalled since last year's movement in "war bonds," attained wider and more impressive proportions today. At 1 o'clock the sales amounted to 1,120,000 shares, or at the rate of almost 2,000,000 shares for the full session.

Rises 53 Points.
Additions to early high records were made by United States Steel at 107, Republic Steel at 69 3/4 and several of the leading copper. General Motors was the star performer, rising 53 points to 750, a gain of 176 points since last week. Bethlehem Steel made a 21-point advance to 575.

Reading also sold at the unprecedented price of 114 1/4 and other leading rails developed renewed strength. Mariner contributed largely to the enormous turnover, the common at the new high of 50 1/2. Reactionary tendencies were shown by other shipping shares and Crucible and Baldwin temporarily lost their gains with weakness in Kelly-Springfield Tire.

Public Interest Increases.
The character of the trading indicated an increase of public interest even though this was not seen in the investment group. Fundamental conditions, so far as they affect financial, industrial and general business conditions, are sufficiently favorable to account for the general interest in the securities market at this time.

Montana Soldiers Missing From Camp

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Sept. 14.—Officers and men of the Second Montana infantry are seeking Sergeant Rogers and Private Frank E. Macey, who have been missing since Wednesday. The men, it is said, left camp in civilian clothing in company with a Mexican, twenty miles southwest of here. At the regimental camp it was believed the men had been taken prisoner by Mexican soldiers.

THE resignation of Premier Zaimis and the Greek cabinet was accepted yesterday by King Constantine. The story was published ex- clusively in the Home Edition of the Times.

There isn't an after-
noon paper published in
the southwest that isn't
Behind the Times

PEABODY, Kan., Sept. 14.—Abel Cartwright, who would have celebrated his one hundred and second birthday November 9 died at his home near here early today. Mr. Cartwright, who was perhaps the oldest man in Kansas, was in good health until a few hours before his death. He attributed his long life to the fact that he never worried. He is survived by his widow, who is 88 years old.

MANY IN DANGER IN LOOTING OF KAVALA SEAPORT

Turkish Irregulars Riot and
Buildings Pillaged.

SERBIANS TAKE TRENCHES

Violent Fighting Continues in
Macedonia.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Lives of many Americans in Kavala, a seaport in northeastern Greece, are declared in dispatches from Athens to be in peril. Property of American tobacco companies also is in danger. Rioting in the city is reported, and many houses and shops have been pillaged. The forts had been surrendered to the Bulgarians.

Citizens Massacred.
A Saloniki dispatch says that in addition to looting, many citizens were massacred by hashibazouks on the withdrawal of the Greek garrison, which were removed by warships of the entente allies to Tharos.

Serbian Take Trenches.
The French war office announced today that Serbians and Bulgarians are engaged in violent fighting on the Macedonian front. The Serbians have captured Bulgarian trenches near Vetrenek and a height northwest of Lake Ostrovo. An engagement south of the lake is turning in favor of the allies.

Little Light on Dobruja.
The latest official communications shed almost no light on what is happening in the Dobruja region of Roumania. There is no news of the activities of the Russian forces in that theater.

General Averesco, former Russian war minister and the kingdom's most distinguished soldier, who started the brilliant invasion of Transylvania, has been transferred from the eastern front to command Dobruja. General Averesco entered the Rumanian army as a cavalryman forty years ago. His place in Transylvania has been taken over by General Crainekeanu, who also is a former chief of the general staff and war minister.

More Teutons to Balkans.
A wireless press dispatch from Rome says that at the general council of the central powers at the headquarters of the German emperor, an offensive campaign in the Balkans was mapped out and that Germany will send 200,000 men and Austria 100,000 for this purpose.

French Rest After Drive.
The French have paused in their advance north of Peronne, where they have driven a total distance of six miles into the German lines since July 1 when the Somme offensive began and now are withstanding a series of German counter attacks. Heavy assaults were delivered last night on the French positions both north and south of the Somme but were fruitless, according to today's Paris bulletin.

The British have made further progress on the Somme front north of Ginchy, it was announced officially today.

The German statement today says that repeated and violent assaults against the Germans on the Somme front yesterday were repulsed with sanguinary losses for the allies.

MARSHALL TO BE NOTIFIED TODAY OF NOMINATION

Glynn to Deliver Formal Ad-
dress at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 14.—Vice President Thomas R. Marshall will be notified of his renomination on the democratic ticket today. Many prominent democrats, including Vance C. McCormick, were to arrive here today. The program as arranged calls for addresses by J. A. M. Adair, democratic candidate for governor of Indiana; Evans Woolen of Indianapolis and Martin H. Glynn of New York. Mr. Glynn is to deliver the notification speech after which Mr. Marshall formally will acknowledge the nomination.

He Never Worried, So Lived Century

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